(*b*) It is reported that a sum of Rs. 10 lakhs has been collected by the mill. An application has been received from the mill for the payment of a matching grant.

(*c*) Since the period of delivery of machinery ordered is long.

High Level Causeway across Madagadahalla.

Q.—258. Sri K. LAKKAPPA (Hebbur).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that the High Level Causeway across Madagadahalla in Kolala-Katenahalli Road at 3/3 mile in Koratagere Taluk, Madhugiri Division, Tumkur District was estimated for Rs. 24,000 five years back ;

(*b*) if so, why the estimate has not been sanctioned even after a lapse of five years ;

(*c*) whether they are aware that the said road is an important link road that connects Doddaballapura Taluk ;

(*d*) whether they would sanction this estimate and start the work early ?

A.—Sri VEERENDRA PATIL (Minister for Public works).—

(*a*) An estimate for Rs. 22,000 had been prepared about 4 years back.

(*b*) Due to paucity of funds.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) Will be considered when adequate funds are available for fresh works.

Revision of D.A. and H.R.A. of State Government Employees.

Q.—261. Sri S. RAJAGOPAL (K.G.F.).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the dates on which D. A., H. R. A. were revised recently in respect of State Government Employees ;

(*b*) the financial commitment on this account ;

(*c*) the financial commitment on account of revision of D.A., etc., in respect of other employees in aided institutions, Local Self-Government institutions, etc.?

A.—Sri B. D. JATTI (Minister for Finance).—

(*a*) New rates of Dearness Allowance and H.R.A. *Cum*-Compensatory Allowance were introduced from 1st January 1961.

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The Dearness Allowance was enhanced from 1st April 1963 by Rs. 5 up to the pay group of Rs. 150; by Rs. 7.50 to those drawing pay between 150-300 and the D.A. for the first time was sanctioned at Rs.10 to those drawing pay between Rs. 300-390 with marginal adjustments up to Rs. 400. Again a flat increase in D.A. of Rs. 5 was given from 1st April 1964.

From 1st January 1965 the D.A. is further enhanced by Rs. 5 and H. R. A.-*Cum*-Compensatory Allowance by Rs. 2 below pay of Rs. 140 and Rs. 3 for pay of Rs. 140 and above.

(*b*) The increases given up to the end of 1964 involves a recurring commitment of Rs. 3 crores per annum. Further revision in D.A. and H.R.A.-*cum*-Compensatory Allowance from 1st January 1965 is expected to cost about Rs. 2 crores per annum.

(*c*) Separate figures regarding financial commitment on account of the above revisions in respect of aided institutions, local bodies, etc., is not available, since they are paid on grant-in-aid basis.

Sanction of Drinking Water Wells in Hosanagar Taluk.

Q.—273. Sri G. T. RANGAPPA (Hosadurga).—

Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) the number of villages in Hosadurga Taluk to which drinking water wells have been sanctioned;

(*b*) the number of villages from which representations have been received for sanctioning drinking water wells;

(*c*) the number of wells still to be completed?

A.—Sri RAMAKRISHNA HEGDE (Minister for Development, Panchayathi Raj and Co-operation).—

(*a*) 70.
(*b*) 24.
(*c*) 17.

Villages taken up under N.R.W.S. Programme in Bangalore Rural District.

Q.—275. Sri T. MADIAH GOWDA (Ramanagaram).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the villages in which the N. R. W. S. programme is taken up under the III Five-Year Plan period in Bangalore Rural District;